Decision 2015/238

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fifty-eighth session and provisional agenda for its fifty-ninth session

At its 53rd plenary meeting, on 21 July 2015, the Economic and Social Council:

(a) Took note of the report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fifty-eighth session;¹

(b) Also took note of Commission decision 55/1 of 7 December 2012 and Commission resolutions 57/5 of 21 March 2014 and 58/8 of 17 March 2014;

(c) Approved the provisional agenda for the fifty-ninth session set out below:

Provisional agenda for the fifty-ninth session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

Operational segment

3. Policy directives to the drug programme of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and strengthening the drug programme and the role of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs as its governing body, including administrative, budgetary and strategic management questions:

- (a) Work of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and policy directives;
- (b) Role of the Commission as the governing body of the drug programme of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime:
 - (i) Strengthening the drug programme of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime;
 - (ii) Administrative, budgetary and strategic management questions;
- (c) Staff composition of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and other related matters.

Normative segment

4. Round-table discussions.

5. Implementation of the Political Declaration and Plan of Action on International Cooperation towards an Integrated and Balanced Strategy to Counter the World Drug Problem: follow-up to the high-level review by the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, in view of the special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem to be held in 2016:

- (a) Demand reduction and related measures;
- (b) Supply reduction and related measures;
- (c) Countering money-laundering and promoting judicial cooperation to enhance international cooperation.

¹ Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2015, Supplement No. 4 (E/2015/24).

- Implementation of the international drug control treaties:
 - (a) Challenges and future work of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs and the World Health Organization in the review of substances for possible scheduling recommendations;
 - (b) Changes in the scope of control of substances;
 - (c) International Narcotics Control Board;
 - (d) International cooperation to ensure the availability of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances for medical and scientific purposes while preventing their diversion;
 - (e) Other matters arising from the international drug control treaties.

7. World situation with regard to drug trafficking and recommendations of the subsidiary bodies of the Commission.

8. Contributions by the Commission to the work of the Economic and Social Council, in line with General Assembly resolution 68/1.

Special segment

9. Preparations for the special session of the General Assembly on the world drug problem to be held in 2016.²

- 10. Provisional agenda for the sixtieth session of the Commission.
- 11. Other business.
- 12. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-ninth session.

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² The agenda and programme of work for the special segment are still to be defined. See also Commission decision 58/15.